Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 5, lines 25 with the following amended paragraph:

Figs. 4A - 4C 4B are a table of possible low level atomic events.

Please replace the paragraph at page 11, lines 16 through 21 with the following amended paragraph:

A comprehensive list of typical high level event patterns is shown in Figs. 4A-4C 4B. For example, 43 different action types, some of which are low level atomic events and others which are high level aggregate events, are defined in the preferred embodiment. A given event is composed of several fields in the database, including perhaps an action type 571, level 572, event category 573, event name 574, event table ID 575, action detail 576, action detail value 577, and discriminants 578.

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request entry of the foregoing Preliminary Amendment prior to first examination of the application.

In particular, in preparing a formal version of Fig. 4 it was necessary to carry the contents of original Fig. 4 only onto two drawing sheets Figures 4A-4B. These drawing sheets were previously submitted on April 16, 2004. An erroneous reference was made in that submission to Figure 4C which has never existed in this application.

Correction of the specification prior to first examination of the application is respectfully requested.